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Colorado Bars, Mothers Against Drunk Driving Team Up to Fight Bar Hours Bill

Law enforcement, safety advocates, and victim groups join bars and restaurants to oppose House Bill 1237 extending bar hours

DENVER, CO— A broad coalition of law enforcement organizations, safety advocates, public health groups, crime victim organizations, and Denver bars and restaurants is joining Mothers Against Drunk Driving (MADD) Colorado to oppose House Bill 25-1237 which would allow cities to extend drinking at bars until 3AM. The bill is sponsored by Representatives Lindstedt and Mabrey and scheduled to be heard by the House Business Affairs & Labor Committee on March 6 at 1:30PM.

Before the committee hearing, MADD Colorado is hosting a press event with several of the coalition members opposing the bill. With more deaths and injuries on our Colorado roads and fewer officers across the state, this bill is a risk we can't afford to take.

What: MADD Colorado press event to oppose House Bill 1237

Who: Speakers will include:

- Clara Shelton, MADD National Ambassador and Colorado victim/survivor
- Rebecca Green, MADD Colorado Executive Director
- 17th Judicial District Attorney Brian Mason
- Skyler McKinley, AAA Colorado
- Isaac Leon, Managing Partner of The Front Porch (Denver lounge/bar)
- Michael Rudduck, Public Health Policy & Public Affairs Senior Advisor, Adams County Health Department
- A representative of the Colorado Association of Chiefs of Police

When: March 6, 11:00AM

Where: Denver Consistory, 1370 Grant St, Denver, CO 80203

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About MADD

Mothers Against Drunk Driving® (MADD) is a national nonprofit leading the movement to end impaired driving for good. Since 1980, MADD has helped reduce drunk driving deaths in America by nearly 40%, saved more than 475,000 lives, and served more than one million victims and survivors. The organization is committed to leading prevention efforts with young adults, collaborating with law enforcement to keep our roads safe from impaired drivers, as well as advocating for stricter sentencing and stronger laws, including the HALT Act that mandates anti-drunk driving technology in every new car. MADD continues to provide support services to victims and survivors of impaired driving at no charge through victim advocates and the 24-Hour Victim Help Line 1-877-MADD-HELP. For more information or to donate, visit https://madd.org/ and follow MADD on Facebook, Instagram, Twitter, TikTok, LinkedIn, and YouTube.

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